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I support this resolution HCR99/HR92. Here are three suggestions to help ease the renewal process:

(A) This item in the resolution raises great concern: "(2) Incidents have occurred where documents already submitted have been lost requiring persons to present the documents again upon the next renewal"

Apparently some original documents submitted to Hawaii government bureaucrats have been lost such as birth certificates, passports, marriage certificates, etc. Some documents would be very difficult or impossible for Hawaii citizens to replace -- especially difficult for people who came to Hawaii from foreign nations or from other states on the mainland. THEREFORE, PLEASE ENSURE THAT REGULATIONS ARE REWRITTEN TO REQUIRE THAT NO APPLICANT FOR ORIGINAL OR RENEWAL LICENSE MAY BE REQUIRED TO LEAVE ANY ORIGINAL DOCUMENT IN THE HANDS OF STATE GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES -- A PHOTOCOPY OF AN ORIGINAL DOCUMENT SHALL BE REGARDED AS SATISFYING THE REQUIREMENT FOR AN ORIGINAL DOCUMENT SO LONG AS THE PHOTOCOPY WAS MADE BY A STATE GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEE. An applicant for original or renewal license should be able to trturn home with all the original documents he/she brought as proof, and should never be forced to leave those documents in the care of state government employees.

(B) Please stop requiring elderly renewal applicants to repeat the renewal process every two years. Assembling the required original documents and bringing them to the renewal office is a burden, which elderly applicants should not be forced to endure any more frequently than younger applicants.

(C) It's especially absurd to require a birth certificate or marriage certificate to be submitted more than once -- those facts will never change or become invalid with the passage of time. Anyone who submitted such documents previously should never be required to submit them again for any subsequent renewal.

